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Examiner: R. Raymond

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Applicant believes this paper is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, and so under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3) no fees are required. If a fee is deemed to be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis Corporation.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicant wishes to call the Examiner's attention to the documents cited on the attached form(s) PTO-1449.

Copies of these documents are enclosed herewith.

It has been noted that International application WO 00/51971 published September 8, 2000 (U.S. priority application 60/122,292 filed March 1, 1999) discloses subject matter which overlaps with subject matter disclosed in the instant application, with respect to the compounds of formula I of WO 00/51971 wherein W is O or S(O)<sub>d</sub>, and R<sup>4</sup> is -S(O)<sub>2</sub> NR<sup>9</sup>R<sup>10</sup>, -C(O)NR<sup>9</sup>R<sup>10</sup> or -S(O)<sub>a</sub>R<sup>12</sup>. However, it is believed not to be available as a reference against the instant application which was filed March 23, 2000 and claims the benefit of provisional application 60/183,030 filed March 29, 1999.

The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 form(s).

Respectfully submitted,

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